Hartland Library Board meeting

August 11, 2022 at 5pm in the Ice Age Trail Room of the Hartland Public Library

1. Call to Order

- a. Meeting called to order at 5:02 PM by Reichert
- b. Truttschel and Plank were absent
- c. Bromberger attended virtually

2. Public Comment

- a. Donna Dorau spoke in support of the library's free access to information
- b. Lou Nelson spoke about concerns with young adult collection
- c. Craig Eisenhut spoke about concerns with young adult collection
- 3. Consideration of motion to approve the minutes of the July Meeting
 - a. Motion to approve by Miller, seconded by Khoury, motion carried unanimously

4. Financial Affairs

- a. Consideration of a motion to approve the Bills
 - i. Reichert asked question about \$11,000 allocation under Large Print
 - 1. Laura stated it was a typo, will make correction for next month
 - ii. Bromberger asked about the Vanguard charge
 - 1. Laura explained it was new barcodes and getting 2 years' worth of barcodes instead of more constant ordering of smaller orders
 - iii. Motion to approve by Bromberger, seconded by Miller, motion carried unanimously
- b. Status of the Budget
 - i. Looks fine Reichert

5. Director's Report

- a. Statistics
 - i. Circulation up again in July
 - ii. DPW will be coming by to pull the cable from the server to make a new access point in the Ice Age Trail Room

b. Staff Updates

- i. Peter was at Hartland Kid's Day and National Night Out
- ii. Laura and Peter conducted Spring/Summer Cleaning
- iii. Emily hosted Bridges Marketing Meeting here at the library
- c. Buildings and Grounds
 - i. New handicap button will be installed tomorrow (8/12)
 - ii. Fire alarm system was checked yesterday (8/10); there was a short in the panel and a tech was sent out to fix it
 - Reichert asked if the library is confident that the system would work in the case of an actual fire, Laura said yes based on the service provided yesterday
 - iii. Starting on Monday, the parking lot will be repaved for 2 weeks.
 - Book drop will be placed behind the library and accessible to patrons starting Monday morning.

iv. Laura spent a lot of time on the budget this month, going through it completely twice. She plans on replacing the reference computer before the end of the year due to malfunctions/length of service.

6. Old Business

- a. Act/Approve Unscheduled Library Closing Policy
 - i. Motion to approve by Bromberger, seconded by Nelson. Motion passed unanimously.

7. New Business

- a. Act/Approve all day library closure for full staff meeting September 16th
 - i. Laura looked at circ numbers for Fridays in September, and the slowest is the Friday after Labor Day
 - ii. Motion to approve full day closure by Nelson, seconded by Khoury. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Act/Approve 2023 Budget
 - i. First page is just a reminder of where the library's money comes from and how we get it.
 - 1. \$425,000 comes directly from the Village
 - ii. Total per person per day in Hartland is 20 cents a day
 - iii. Payscale will be sent to and approved by the Village Board
 - iv. Bromberger wants to know timetable of when the budget is approved
 - Laura said it goes to village board in mid-September and hashed out there
 - 2. Once it comes back from the village board, the library board gets to decide what to do with the money
 - v. The library is back to pre-COVID numbers, so staff/compensation needs to be back at pre-COVID levels/expectations, with inflation figured in as much as possible as well
 - Reichert noted she is all for paying library employees well, as she doesn't want to lose them, especially compared to what other stores/libraries are offering salary/rate-wise
 - vi. Library Pages Problem
 - 1. The library will hire starting at 14-years-old
 - 2. The schedule is super-flexible, but the pay is very low
 - 3. Reichert discussed upping the rate once they turn 16; said it ultimately will become a problem if the pages leave
 - vii. Motion to approve 2023 budget by Khoury, seconded by Miller. Motion passed unanimously.
- c. Khoury requested discussion item on next agenda in regard to public comments
 - i. Board decided to review selection practices at our next meeting
- d. Discussion of the Spring Annual Survey
 - i. Bromberger wanted to know the pros or cons of getting more zoo or museum passes in regard to upping library traffic
- 8. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Khoury, seconded by Nelson, motion passed unanimously. Meeting ended at 6:14.